

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)
STATE GENETIC PATERNITY TESTING
CSEA/DNA/09-001-S**

**AMENDMENT #1
August 18, 2009**

Prospective Offerors:

This amendment is being issued to amend and clarify certain information in the above named RFP. All information contained herein is binding on all Offerors who respond to this RFP. Specific parts of the RFP have been amended. The changes are listed below; new language has been underlined and marked in bold (i.e., **word**), and language that has been deleted has been marked with a strikethrough (i.e. ~~word~~).

1. Revise Key Information Summary Sheet

Closing Date for Questions: **August 20, 2009, Close of Business** ~~August 7, 2009~~

2. Revise Key Information Summary Sheet

Closing Date and Time: **September 4, 2009,** ~~August 28, 2009 2:00 PM EST~~

3. Revise Section 1.5 Closing Date

An original, to be so identified, and seven (7) copies of the Technical Proposal and Financial Proposal (See Section IV) must arrive to the Procurement Officer by 2:00 PM, **September 4, 2009,** ~~August 28, 2009~~ in order to be considered.

4. Revise Section 1.6 Duration of Proposal Offer

All prices, costs, terms and conditions in the Proposal shall remain fixed and valid for **180 days** ~~120 days~~ after the closing date for receipt of Proposals or the date Best and Final Offers, if any, are submitted.

5. Revise Section 2.12 Contract Term

The Contract awarded as a result of this solicitation shall be for a period of **three (3) years with two 1-year options** ~~five (5) years~~. It shall begin on or about February 7, 2010, and ~~end~~ ending February 6, 2015. ~~H~~ however, if the term does not start on February 7, 2010, the ~~C~~contract will last for **three (3) years** ~~five (5) years~~ from the start date.

6. Revise Section 2.25 Contract Award

It is anticipated that Aaward of a Contract generally will be within **180 days** ~~120 days~~ after the closing date for submission of proposals or the date Best and Final Offers.

7. Revise Section 3.2 Scope of the Project

The term of the Contract shall be **three (3) years with two 1-year options** ~~five (5) years~~.

8. Revise Section 3.4 A Requirements

These are the preferred methods for specimen collection, however, in the event other similar medically acceptable techniques are to be employed, the method may be proposed after consultation with CSEA State Project Manager. **Written approval will be provided to the Contractor by the CSEA State Project Manager.** ~~Written approval is provided to the Contractor.~~

9. Revise Section 3.4 K Requirements

The expert witnesses shall be available to give testimony, depositions, or consultation for interstate as **well** for intrastate cases at the contracted price.

10. Revise 3.7 Contractor's Project Manager

Replacement of any personnel, including personnel who leave the employment of the Contractor, shall be with personnel of equal **or greater** ability, qualifications and experience.

11. Revise Attachment D – Standard Services Contract, Section 2.1 Scope of Work

The contract will be awarded for period of **three (3) years with two 1-year options** ~~five (5) year period~~.

12. Revise Attachment D – Standard Services Contract, Section 3. Term

Unless otherwise terminated earlier as provided in this Contract, the term of the Contract shall be for **three (3) years with two 1-year options** ~~five years~~, commencing on or about **February 7, 2010** ~~October 7, 2009~~ or the date approved by the **Board of Public Works**. Department

Should you require clarification of the information provided in this amendment, please contact me via email at mlehmoth@dhr.state.md.us or by telephone at (410) 767-7544.

Date Issued: August 18, 2009

By:

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